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75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

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Daniel Bleskey Principal Engineer, Water Works Services City of Simi Valley 2929 Tapo Canyon Road Simi Valley, CA 93063

Re:

Validated Perchlorate Results from Casarin Street Well

Dear Mr. Bleskey:

I have enclosed the validated results from EPA's analysis of two water samples collected from the artesian well located at 1672 Casarin Street in Simi Valley. The validation noted two significant findings.

First, the validator felt the results were potentially biased due to the inherent difficulties of measuring perchlorate in water with the moderate level of dissolved solids in the Casarin Street Well. Second, while our results for the sampling have not changed from the preliminary data I provided earlier, the report notes that one of the two samples collected from the well was very nearly reported as a detection.

As we discussed in our conference call on December 16, 1999, DTSC is the lead agency for determining any followup activities. However, EPA is willing to provide assistance to DTSC, if requested. If you have further questions on this matter, please call me at (415) 744-2070.

Sincerely,

Tom Kelly

Project Manager, Boeing-Rocketdyne

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